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Peshtigo River State Forest

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December Public Meetings Reviewed

The Department of Natural Resources held a series of three meetings to kick-off the master planning process for Wisconsin's newest state park...Governor Tommy G. Thompson Centennial State Park located adjacent to the magnificent Caldron Falls Flowage in Marinette County. The purpose of the meetings was to introduce the property to the public, explain the upcoming planning process, and to begin a dialog with the

future visitors to the park. After the formal presentation you helped by providing us with lists of activities you want us to consider in the development of the State Park. These include: Fishing, biking, hiking, snowmobiling, ATVs, horses, camping, skiing, sledding, boating, hunting, natural shorelands, disabled access/use, friend's groups, and protection of natural, historical, and geological resources of the park.

This is a lengthy list, but it will give us much to discuss over the next several months. In our *Next Steps* section, we'll tell you about the upcoming process of creating a vision statement for both the park and the forest's master plans. Your continued assistance is critical to making these plans the best they can be.



Fox Valley Tech Survey Class Provides Valuable Mapping Service

Thirty-three students and instructors from the Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton, braved rain, mud and wet conditions to collect GPS and topographic data on the newly acquired Governor Tommy G. Thompson Centennial State Park.

This data will be used by the class to compile an accurate map showing the boundaries of the property as well as all the natural and man-made features. The map will be a valuable decision making tool for the recreational development of the park.

The park provided a unique

opportunity for the students to practice their skills on a real-life project with definite goals and a purpose. Students also received an opportunity to discuss the master plan

process with the Department planner.

The students accomplished the mapping of 2,187 acres of property in just two days.

